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Dear Josh:

This is to bring up-to-date on the business of your column. Maccacaro, whom you certainly know, has told me that "Il Giorno" is quite interested in carrying the column. Someone from "Il Giorno" 's bureau in New York is going to contact the "Washington Post" to straighten up all the details. "Il Giorno" would like to make a selection, as they do with other syndicated columns, of the articles of more interest to the italian readers. In addition, they would like to have someone from the scientific milieu to supervise the translation and Maccacaro has said that he is glad to do so. I may add that I deeply respect Maccacaro and that I told him that I am quite willing to lend him a hand.

At present Luca and Pupa are crossing the desert by jeep and are supposed to arrive in Algiers on the 20th, mishaps and bedouins permitting.

We can now separate quite well tryptophan and 5-methyl-tryptophan on the amino acid analyzer so that there should not be any difficulty in establishing if and how much of the analog goes into the protein of <u>B</u>. subtilis and <u>E</u>. coli.

Being already March, I suppose that the announcement that you are calling off your trip to Europe is due any day.

Ciao

